

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Duke :
Energy Ohio, Inc., to Adjust Rider DR-IM : Case No. 13-1141-GE-RDR
and Rider AU for 2012 Grid :
Modernization Costs. :

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF THE PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND
REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT
SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

Pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-13(A), the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Staff) respectfully requests an extension of the procedural schedule. All parties are actively working towards a stipulation in this case and need more time to focus on potential settlement. Staff has consulted with all parties in this proceeding and they do not object to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

By entry dated September 27, 2013, the Commission adopted a procedural schedule setting dates for the filing of testimony and an evidentiary hearing as follows¹:

1. Testimony on behalf of Staff and intervenors is to be filed by November 25, 2013.
2. Deadline for Duke to file supplemental testimony is December 6, 2013.
3. The evidentiary hearing is to begin on December 17, 2013.

For the reasons set forth below, Staff requests that the Commission amend the procedural schedule as follows:

1. Testimony on behalf of Staff and intervenors is to be filed by **December 16, 2013**.
2. Deadline for Duke to file supplemental testimony is **January 10, 2014**.
3. The evidentiary hearing is to begin on **January 21, 2014**.

The parties have been actively involved in productive settlement negotiations and the parties are working towards a global stipulation. However, more time is needed to discuss potential settlement. Accordingly, Staff respectfully requests amendments to the procedural schedule as described above which will allow the parties to focus their efforts on settlement discussions.

¹ The September 27, 2013 entry amended the procedural schedule established by the July 16, 2013 entry.

Pursuant to O.A.C. 4901-1-12(C), Staff requests an expedited ruling regarding this motion. Staff contacted counsel of record for the parties in this case and no party objects to the issuance of an expedited ruling.

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